

State of North Carolina



MICHAEL F. EASLEY
GOVERNOR

NORTH CAROLINA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH WEEK

2007

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, in 2005, North Carolina suffered 165 fatal injuries on the job and suffered approximately 130,700 work-related injuries and illnesses; and

WHEREAS, transportation accidents continue to be the number one cause of on-the-job deaths; according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, there were 39 fatalities in North Carolina caused by highway transportation accidents; and

WHEREAS, everyday millions of people go to and return home from work safely due, in part, to the efforts of occupational safety, health and environmental practitioners who work day in and day out identifying hazards and implementing safety and health advances in all industries and at all workplaces aimed at eliminating workplace fatalities, injuries and illnesses; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that employers, employees, and the general public be aware of the importance of preventing illness and injury in the workplace, wherever that workplace may be such as on the road, in the air, on the battlefield, the plant or the office; and

WHEREAS, the more than 30,000 members of the American Society of Safety Engineers are occupational safety, health and environmental practitioners committed to protecting people, property and the environment; and

WHEREAS, during the week of May 6-12, 2007, North Carolina Occupational Safety and Health Week (NAOSH), American Society of Safety Engineers members and partners will be mobilizing in an effort to increase employers', employees' and the general public's understanding of the benefits of investing in occupational safety and health; to raise the awareness of the role and contribution of safety, health and environmental professionals; encouraging safe driving; and

WHEREAS, the theme of NAOSH Week 2007 is transportation safety, motor vehicle drivers should drive wisely, be aware of and follow all traffic safety laws in order to increase transportation safety for all; and

WHEREAS, on May 9 occupational safety and health professionals will be recognized during the second annual Occupational Safety and Health Professionals Day for the work they do to keep people safe at work;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 6-12, 2007, to be "**NORTH CAROLINA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH WEEK**" in the State of North Carolina.



MICHAEL F. EASLEY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the City of Raleigh this twenty-fourth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-first.